

MRS. HALL HITS SIMPSON AND "TAB"

Arrest Malicious, She Says; Great Wealth a Myth

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NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Oct. 18.—Bitterly attacking Senator Alexander Simpson as state prosecutor, "whose every action is dictated by a New York tabloid newspaper," and asserting that the Hall-Stevens family "are not millionaires, but folks of only moderate means," Mrs. Frances S. Hall discussed her personal affairs yesterday.

Showing no anxiety over her fate next month, Mrs. Hall attributed the murder charges brought against herself, her two brothers and Henry Carpender, a cousin, to:

"A malicious persecution of myself and my family instituted by a tabloid to increase its circulation, and abetted by politicians to advance their own ends."

Mrs. Hall, seated with a group of relatives in the living room of her home, branded Mrs. Jane Gibson's statement as ridiculous. She thought:

"I never heard Henry Carpender called anything but Harry before the murders. I think that Mrs. Gibson concocted the story that she had heard somebody say: 'Oh, Henry!' She tried to implicate my brother, Henry Stevens."

Denying that either she or any member of her family had paid or offered bribes for the suppression of evidence in the murders, Mrs. Hall declared emphatically:—



Alex. Simpson Mrs. Frances Hall

"I shall take the stand next month. I have nothing to conceal. I am eager to be cross-examined, although I could avoid this by declining to testify in my own defense."

Mrs. Hall and her companions laughed heartily when the Hall-Stevens "billion dollar defense" was mentioned. She said:—

"The fabulous wealth of our family is a myth. Senator Simpson has our permission to examine our bank accounts, or to investigate our finances."

"At no time has my personal fortune exceeded \$300,000. Willie has \$260,000; Henry has \$175,000. Henry Carpender has \$140,000, which he earned himself."

Mrs. Hall charged that the newspaper urging prosecution had persuaded Arthur Riehl to seek an annulment against Louise Riehl, the former maid in her home.

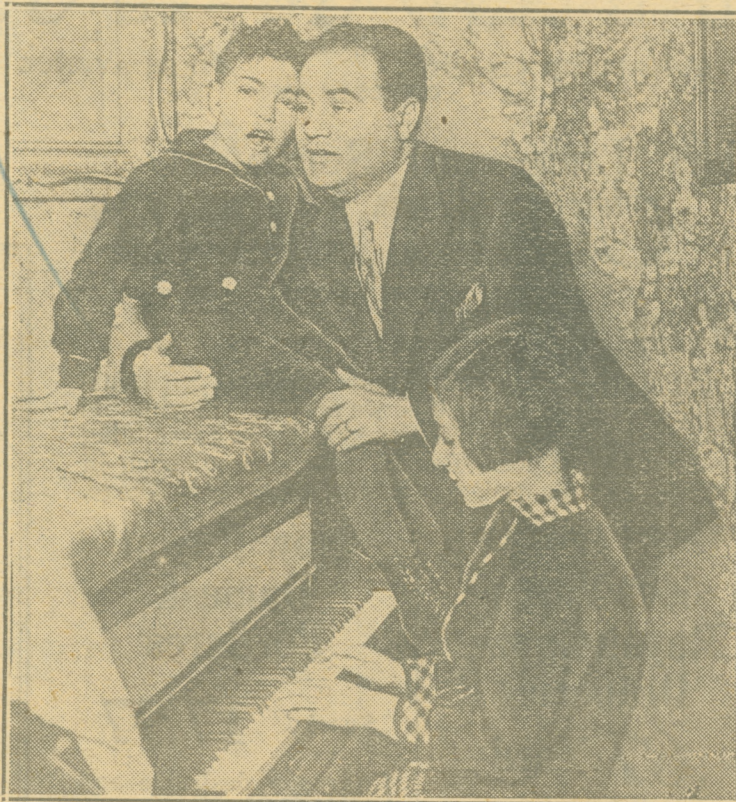
ROYAL MOUNTED COP GOES 1,286 MILES IN ARCTIC FOR SLAYER

OTTAWA, Oct. 18.—Crossing through the barren wastes of the Arctic for ten weeks, Sergt. J. F. Wight of the Canadian Royal Mounted Police covered 1,286 miles to investigate a 3-year-old Eskimo murder and get his man.

The story of his arduous search was revealed today in an official report which was published at one of the outposts far from civilization. The entire details have not been announced as yet as the case is not yet completed.

According to the report, Wight struck country very little travelled

Gigli's Daughter Plays to His Singing



SHE'S ONLY 10 years old, but little Rina Gigli, daughter of Beniamino Gigli, noted metropolitan opera star, received the plaudits of several thousand enthusiastic persons when she played accompaniment to her father as he sang an air from "Martha" in the Century Theater yesterday. In the above photograph little Rina is seen at the piano with her father and 6-year-old Enzo Gigli.

4 Killed, 11 Hurt As Speeding Autos Crash Head-On

BELVIDERE, N. J., Oct. 18.—Four were killed and eleven injured yesterday in a head-on collision of automobiles in the State Highway near Hackettstown.

A technical charge of manslaughter was placed against the injured driver of one of the machines, pending the verdict of a coroner's jury.

The sudden application of brakes that caused one of the heavy cars to skid over the smooth new roadway was blamed for the accident. The driver nosed his machine out from the rear of a truck halted at a Butzville gas-filling station, meeting another oncoming car. None of the fifteen persons in the colliding automobiles escaped.

ARMISTICE BALL

Major Gen. and Mrs. Charles P. Summerall will lead the grand march at the Armistice ball of the First Division. Lieut. Jeff Feigel Post of the American Legion to be held November 12 in the grand ballroom of the Astor.

PRINCES CAN SUE NOW

TOKIO, Oct. 18.—Imperial princes of Japan now may bring suit against each other before a special tribunal set up under regulations drafted by the privy council.

Hocking Hike Hindered; Will Try Again Sunday

Jupiter Pluvius—you know him—who is getting along in years and developing a crabbed delight in spoiling the young folks' fun, managed to defeat James Horace Hocking's plan to hike seventy-one miles in celebration of his seventy-first birthday October 15.

Mr. Hocking, due to Mr. Pluvius's behavior, succeeded in walking only thirty-five miles. Wet to the skin after a seven and one-half hour hike, a good part of it in a driving rain, he announced his intention of carrying through his hike next Sunday if the weather permits.

J. H. Hocking

Hocking got as far as Amesville, thirty-five miles from his home, at 625 South Broadway, Yonkers, about half of his intended seventy-one-mile hike. He had been walking then since 2 a. m., bareheaded, attired in knickers and wearing a coat part of the way. Arthur Hunter and Frank Sinclair accompanied him on bicycles.

At 4.30 he had received Tarrytown, twelve and a half miles from his home. At 5.25 he was passing through Ossining, nineteen miles from the start, and at 6.30 he was at Croton, having covered twenty-

three miles, and at 9.00 had reached Peekskill, and the thirty-one miles mark.

He returned to Peekskill, two boiled eggs and tow slices of whole wheat raisin bread furnished him by the Dugan Bakery Company. Miss Duggan, daughter of the head of that concern, is a member of The GRAPHIC'S walk-club.

GOLF CLUB BUYS, SELLS

HACKENSACK, N. J., Oct. 18.—The members of the Hackensack Golf Club have empowered their directors to sell their property for not less than \$635,000 and to purchase the property of the Kinderkamack Golf Club at Oradell for not less than \$300,000.

ALMONERS TO ENTERTAIN

The annual entertainment of The Almoners, a group of young women formerly known as the Catholic Junior League, will be held at the Plaza on Easter Monday night under the direction of Miss May Leslie.

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